The Columbia Stock Company will make | bition;" last year he played the Spanis its bow to Westington tomorrow night.

Great promises are made for this organization, not only as the finest summer company ever organized anywhere in America out one which can be compared favorably with the best stock companies of New York and naturally great things are expected of

Tomorrow night will not only be the first appearance of the company, but they bring an entirely new light comedy, so that old limers will find tomorrow night 'a first night' in every sense of the Word The new play is a light modern comedy in three acts, by Paul Wilstach, "A First It is built to make fun, and if the audience can be kept laughing a loudly and longly at the whirlwind of situations that even the good lines will be lost, the modest company and author will be satisfied.

According to the story of "A First Offense," Homer Lovejoy discovers that his wife has invited to their house to spend the week an old schoolmate, Alther Leighter, now an opera singer. had met her while out-of-town on business and had had a fliriation. So he does no stay at home for fear Althea would tell his wife of their escapade. He is loathe to go for he knows of the good time he can have by remaining at home during the visit. He goes and disguises binself and returns pretending to be his own brother, Thaddeus, whom his wife has never seen. Then



A. S. Lipman

Thaddens turns up, and he, of necessity has to take a friend's name. to be "Charles Bond," but Bond arrives forthwith. The confusion is becoming tog intrinate, and they decline to let his have anone for fear its owner an up. Thus the three go through the play all mixed up in their own and everybody glse's mind. Each of them gets into all sorts of laughable situations, but, with resource to during and picture-que fiction, the hashoust comes out unscattled from end not as the offender, but as one grossly deceived and maligned.

A. S. Lipman will be seen as the men-dactous and unhappy Honer. He is a fine consider of magnetic personality and breezy method. Mr. Lipmon early rose above the obscurrty of his first endeavor and became a number of Robson and Crane's company. He was their leading man for five years. He has since played leads with Clara Morris, Rose Coghlan, Daly's, Madison Square Company, W. H. Crane, "Crust of Society," and starred under J. P. Littand in "In Mizzoura," After



Katherine Grey.

his season at the Columbia he will next season star in a new comedy.

Katherine Grey, the facinating beauty, who is leading lady with the stock, will play the wife of Homer. She has every personal attraction and artistic talent to bring to ber part. She is a California she has played and created leading roles with Bichard Mansfield, James A. Herne 'Sans Gene," and other great successe Grace Mas Lam kin will play the



netic comedienne Her general and stock training has been of that extensive character to develop all her la-tent talents. She was leader in the Patsburg stock, in

the Denver stock, in the Boston stock, and with Fanny Davenport. Everyone who saw Wilton Lackage last season re thers the beautiful and accor girl who played Bertha, the sister of Dr. Belgraff. Yet, this was not in her line, though so well played. tottively a comedience, as she will show

as Aithea tomorrow night Pretty Pearl Evelying will play the pert maid, Mina, who knows a thing or two of the things that are going on, and spies around for information on things of which she is ignorant, Miss Evelynne 18 another California girl, and she has and fresh beauty

Pearl Evelynne.

coast girls. Her experience extends only over a few years, for she is a very young girl; but during that time he has accomplished many things with

Frohman, Daly, and Brady compa Henry Bergman, who is director of the company, will play Thaddens. The part is one of offended dignity and affected chagrin, one which saits the personality of this actor exactly. He had had a long career in the display of chagrin, temper and such type of character. In "The attache with Nat Goodwin, and his last appearance here was as the fiery Co-



Henry Bergman

ban, in "Lost, Strayed or Stolen." During his career he has played with Robson and Crane, Jansuscheck, Frank Mayo, Louis Aldrich, and many other standard

It is confidently expected that one of the hits of the piece will be James O Barrows, as Major traibyed, an old bachelor (3 member of the Union League Club, and a confirmed lady-killer, Mr. Barrows is one of the best actors of comedy old men on the He began his career San Fran-

James O. Barrows. cisco, and in his time he has played with all the best stars. J. H. Haverly brought him East. son at the Madison Square Theater, he starred in Gillette's "The Professor," Then he joined the Lyceum stock, and has since been with the Frohmans continually. He has created Sergt. Barkett,

Ben Dixon, in "The Councillor's Wife;" Matthieu, in "The Gay Parisians," and many others, Mr. Barrows seldom the New York theaters, but he is delighted to come to Washwith stock company near the excellence of those he has been playing with

Geoffrey Stein

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"Tess of the D'Urbervilles." Grabbem will be played by Will Jefferson, B son of Joseph Jefferson. His caour years on the stage has his father's company under the personal ami affectionate training of the greatest of American come-dians. Nabbem will be played by

W W Jefferson He has played with Palmer's Stock Cor pany during the past five years and since then with Salvini, Charles Hoyt's Comedy Companies, with Henry Mil-



tions.

ter, in "Beartsremembered all who witnesse its performance. entirety the com-A First Offense tomorrow night is notable. The people are all well

are artists of Frank Beamish. have personal charms and dramatic capabilities, which recommend them to the whom they will cater this There are others in the co pany who will appear in later prod

BRAIN AND BRAWN.

The scheme for the centralization of the erces of organized labor in the District, the plan of which was published in this colu on last Sunday, has been the chief subjecof conversation in labor circles during th

The subject is one concerning which there is a wide diversity of opinion

It would appear from the serio with which it is being discussed by thos prominent in labor circles that something definite will be done in the near futur looking to the unification of the interes of organized labor by incorporating all th

local bodies under one bead. So far as can be learned there is no organized opposition to the plan, nor is its opponent; to be found alone in the rank; of the trades unions or among the Knights of Labor. In both of these organizations the scheme to organize the laboring mer in the city into one central body has

many friends and also opponents. In many instances the plan is oppose because no one can guarantee into who hands the leadership of the new organiza-tion will fall. There are men who raise objections to certain persons who might come into control, and not really to the principle involved or the interests at stake There is one thing, however, on which all persons interested in the matter agree and that is the plan of organization

thoroughly democratic and would guaran tee protection to the interests of all affil-iated bodies alike. This is a feature which is not to be found in the constitu tion of any of the existing central bodie Benator" he created and played for a and to the want of which can be traced long time the Austrian minister, in "Ausdisintegration which has occurred within

the last year or two. The chief objection, however, is the unwillingness of many of the local union to break away from their national affili

Mr. Milford Spohn, president of the Central Labor Union, which is connected with the American Federation of Labor, is strongly opposed to the plan. He says it is impracticable, for it would be inpossible for unions with national trade heads to withdraw from the national labor organizations without the consent of the former. While this may be true, say the friends of the scheme, it cannot be denied that the benefits to local labor would more than repay for the losses suffered by the national organizations. Mr. Spohn is thoroughly conversant with

the situation in regard to organized labor in the city, both as regards the leaders and the principles they represent. This knowledge, he says, justifies him in the asser ion that it is impossible to combine all these nto a single organization.

Mr. A. M. Lawson, master workman of

District Assembly 66, K. of L., said i e had given the matter a great deal of consideralion, but would express no opinion on the subject.

A prominent member of one of the largest labor bodies in the city said the scheme, if perfected, would result in the bettermen of all classes and the members of individual

"The wage-earners," he said, "are mighty when they are thoroughly, earnestly and ompactly organized. And when so organ izeditisessential to their welfare to have but a single central body. No trade is so strong that it is requisite to its advancement to have two or more unions. The more organ izations belonging to representative bodies the greater the detriment to the different ssociations, and such a state of affairs is particularly demoralizing to members of such organizations, and especially to rafts men not connected with any unions.

"It must be admitted," he continued, "that the condition of affairs in Washington is certainly discouraging, after a candid and untias reckoning. Realize th true position we, as wage-earners, occupy at the capital of the country. We are confronted with a condition that warrants decisive action and the sacrifice of personal feeling and vaulting ambitions.

"The solidification of the many lab-sing nen and women in the District should be the higher hope of every true and consistent person who is allied with any organization which seeks to advance the workmen The present depression in busi ness will disappear before long, to be followed by a revival of the various cater prises now lying dormant by reason of the scarcity of money. And when that wave of prosperity comes we must need it in a solid phelanx. This is the summer of our misfortunes. Let us devote our valuable time to promote the welfare of the toiling masses. There is but one way. The fashion of our acts will be reflected in a mirror that always reproduces a "The ranks of the wage carners ere

with discontent, unrest, prejudice bias Resolute, determined and terd bias straightforward action is necessary.
"It cannot be said that the various entral bodies are not sincere, but it is a positive fact," he said, "that their efforts are misdirected. Men seemingly have taken the place of principles, and self aggrandizement has found quicker root than the work of protecting the inerests of the many.

"The time is propitious for a grand reorganization. Let us have fewer leaders and more genuine leadership. No man, who is a true union man can besitate to step down and out of his office, when such an act will advance the condition of a people

suffering for want of honest unionism. "I have no desire to belittle the labors of the distinguished gentlemen who are at the head of the local Federation of Labor, the District Assembly, Knights of Labor, the Building Trades Council, or the Central Labor Union, they have all done themselves proud in their time; but it is patent to the careful observer that each and all stand in the way of a proper and a more creditable organization. say creditable, but no position is creditable to an unbiased mind which keeps in jeopardy the advancement of the man who

carns his living by his own labor "It is a lamentable fact that the four central bodies in this city cannot be so solidly organized, that no man will at tempt to make war upon the working classes. The rank and file can demand t heads of the leaders. It is our duty, Sacrifices must be made, and it will be a etorious moment when Messrs Lawson McHugh, Silver, and Spohn will advocate their own decapitation, with the hope that such actions will tend to solidify the working classes of Washington.

minister expounds the teaching of tee lible with more zest than I do now invoke the aid of all true men to accompilsh unionization of all trades in this city in one body. Your interests and name demand it, because as sure as I hope to meet my God when the final test comes, the weakened lines will be invaded by capital and you will perish as you stand This is no kile talk. Facts speak for them selves and because of my great regard for my fellow-man I shall always advocate these principles

"If the leaders of all the factions will set aside their ambitions and devote their energies to a wholesale reorganization all will be well, and we will have such a central body as will be impenetrable by its arch enemy-capital. It will be an in stitution which will reflect credit upon the better judgment of all concerned.
"Then labor will be respected, and will

be in a position to make a reasonable de-mand. It will command the consideration of every appeal made, and every member of the affiliated societies can be proud of his position in life.

"The employer will hearken to our ap neals and our requests will be treated as they should be On such a platform I am glad to stand. It is broad enough for all to stand upon. Who will go with me-

President McHugh, of the local Federation, is also an ardent advocate of the centralization idea, and has always favored any and all movements among the laboring classes which tender to the advancement of the interests, individually and collectively. When a similar movement was being

discussed some time ago, Mr. McHugh without any hesitation whatever, said that he would step down and out of the Federation to forward the scheme Whatever may be said against the plan of combining all the labor forces of the District into one central body, there is

no doubt that its discussion lately has had a good effect. In a great measure to the discussion of this subject at this time can be attributed the harmony which has been brought about among the local organizations of carper ters. The combination which they hav The combination which they have

ters. The combination which they have made is similar in its principal feature to that of the proposed central body—the rights of each body being secured and pro-tected by equal representation. It is possible, and indeed probable, that the other crafts, of which there are more than one organization in the city, will follow the lead of the carpenters and com-

bine for mutual protection and benefit Already the trades unionist and Knights of Labor bakers have formed a council and when trades do likewise there will will be little trouble in organizing all into one central body.

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Those patriotic citizens who visit the capital for the purposes of enjoying its beauty, of investigating its life and of wondering at whatever is unique or unusual about it were much chagrined and disap pointed when they fail to find a real live woman lobbyist. They have been taught to believe in her existence. They have read papers describing her fascinating person ality, and for years they have looked for ward to the excitement of seeing her; of seeing her, perhaps in the very act of button-holing a Senator, but this much exploited person no longer exists.

The woman lobbyistis dead and forgotten She had her day; she was at one time an influence and a power; she made fortunes; she wrecked thelives of men; she broke the hearts of innocent women; she flaunted herself in the balls of Congress; she penetrated into respectable drawing-moms, she was a Jezebel and Messalina, and she died of her own corruption.

'Comanches,' the Mrs. Gen. Strait ors, the Lucy Cobbs and all of their ik irall sisters with blonded hair, painted cleeks and unnaturally bright eyes no longer frequent the corridors and commuttee rooms of the Capitol. They have vanished into the past. It is hard to relinquish so pic-turesque a figure; hard for the calamity howlers; hard for the space writers, for the female lobbyist was excellent material; so excellent that Mr. Bryce, an authornoted for his accuracy, incorporate 3 her in his. American Commonwealth" years after she ceases

This scariet creature was one of the many evils born of the war, and reached the zenith of her power in the timultous period that followed it. In a more tran quil state of society it is doubtful if she could have gained such prestage. A piquant and graceful figure in the beginning, she charmed and fascinated the mosty scious on the Hill, who did not appreciate their danger any more than do the poor sadon jured to their destruction by the Loreki until they found themselves enveloped in a net of her weaving, until they were threatened with disgrace and dishonor. But she descended gradually. Lower and she fell until she became a nuisance and a scandal: her very presencesa postdence and degradation;

At first subtle and clever, she gained her ends by covert means; later force and blackmad were her weapons. She was a hideous dragon, and assailed her victims in public and private, compelling them to fly or surrender. Revengeful and vindictive, if she falled in her purposes she followed the mehawho foiled her to their districts, defeated them for Congress, broke up their homes wat a scourge and a pest. Finally to be seen with her was to make disgrace. Men flew from her presence, women passed her shuddering, dreading She died at last of herown wickedness. Her place in history is side side with the Credit Mobilier and the whisky frauds. /No monument marks her burial place,
But the scaffet woman did not occupy the

entire field. There were other types of temalelobbyists. The name has become hor rid from association, but according to the Century Dictionary a lobbyist is one "who frequents the lobby or precincts of a legislative or other deliberative assembly with the view of influencing the votes of menbers," and truly many noble and fine wonen have done this. There were women with ust claims against the government, like Myra Clark Gaines, of interesting memory. Mrs. Dahlgren, Mrs. Kate Chass Sprague and the women who espoused some moral cause or humanitarian measure, of whom lara Barton and Susan B. Anthony were representatives; and those who had some thing to sell to the United States, picture books or statuary. Who does not remember that attractive little person. Vinnie Read the sculptress, all dimples and smiles, with appealing black eyes and captivating ways a magnetic bit of flesh and blood, who had talent, to be sure, but who owed, none the less, her successful career and the many contracts she received from the government

to her charming personality? Mrs. Gaines' story is a long and romantic me. Through some irregularity in her parents' marriage there was a question as to her legitimacy. The matter was brough before the couris of Louislana, the State in which she was born, where it was finally decided that her birth was regular, and she was the heiress to her father's immense es tate, which included part of the city of Orleans

It was to obtain possession of this property that Mrs. Gaines appealed from the circuit court of Louisiana to the Supremental Court of the United States, before which and Congress her long, hard battle was fought. This is the most famous claim ever before Congress, and for years Mrs. Gair was known as one of the celebrities of the Capitol, her 'whole life from girlhood to old age having been spent in fighting for the \$6,000,000 or \$7,000,000 which was ultimately awarded her.

The claim for payment for the Dahlgren guns, furnished to the Government during the war, was in the hands of attorneys for many years without action being taken in the matter. It might still be on docket if Mrs. Dablgren, grande dame and accomplished woman, had not taken charge and pushed it to a successful issue. The beautiful and queenly Kate Chase Sprague, the belle and toast of her day, lobbled suc cessfully a bill through Congress to have the taxes which had accumulated on her father's estate, and which amounted to more than the value of the estate itself, re moved. And no more persistent lobbyist ever haunted the committee rooms than that devoted and noble woman, Clara Parton, when she was endeavoring to have the United States sign the treaty of nations with the Red Cross Society. She labored early and late. She besieged her old friends and made new ones. Her enthusiasm never failed until the bill authorizing the Prestdent to sign the treaty passed both houses of Congress. Miss Anthony's work in legis-lative halls is too well known to need men-

But lobbying is no longer co good taste. The woman lobbyist, not ever the ghost of her, can be found. Women still influence legislation, however, they are still the power behind the throne, as they have been since the days of Aspasia, down through the ages, and as they will be to the end of time. It was Peggy O'Neil who broke up Jackson's Cabinet and caused him to send his neice and nephew, his adopted children, from the White House, in disgrace and in our day a woman created at remenous scandal and caused her husband to resign a Cabinet position, a cloud of disgrace following him, which rulned and wrecked his life. This influence, indeed, is more potent since it is hidden, and those who would fight it do not know where to strike.

The wife of every member of Congress is more or less a politician. She understands the machinery of legislation and her in Address a Letters to 12; W. 42:18t., N. F. following him, which ruined and wrecked

fluence is cast as her sympathics or interest dictate, rarely, of course, for a pecua iary consideration, but even this influence can be bought. Several years ago it was notorious fact that the wife of a man, who stood high in the councils of the nation, had been subsidized by a powerful corporation She entertained regally, her halls were the handsomest, her dinners the finest, her tollettes the most magnificent in town Everybody wondered at the swath she cut.

and the corporation paid the bills. Such influence is not bargained for in vulgar way. "How much will you take to look after our affairs?" is a question never asked. An oily-tongued attorney diplomatically sets about to become a quanted with the woman he wishes to sui sidize. He is properly introduced; be enter tains her, makes bimself agreeable, confidents her his plans, his ambitions. She is interested and flattered; they become war friends. "My dear madam," he sa finally, having gained a secure footing in her esteem, "your Washington establishment must be a great expense. You are, doubt less, sometimes cramped for money. Pray allow me to be you rbanker to the extent of five, ten fifteen"-whatever the amount-thousand dollars. Pay me at your con-Of course madam protests, but after all

what is it? Only a friendly loan, which she will pay back one of these days. She accepts the money, but the obligation weighs upon her. How can she make an adequate return for this disinterested kindness? Her obliging friend is much in terested in the bill, a rational and prope neasure, no politics in it. Here is an oppor tunity. Husband shall belp that bill along So, hardly realizing it, this lady beco the paid servant of a corporation. Loan

follows loan, but they are never repaid; my lady earns her money. She cultivates her husband's friends; she dines and wines them; she coaxes and flatters them; soon she has a following and is regarded as a power. She is coached by the men who pay her, she talks glibly on the phases of the XXX bill; she answers arguments she gains a reputation for cleverness. Thuid at her mahogany are glad to grant her favors; it becomes the fashion to do her bidding, and the XXX bill rides on the crest wave of popular favor.
As a matter of fact, there is no measure

that comes before Congress but has a we an champion. Even the ladies of the Dip smatte Corps take an interest in affairof international importance. It was a en secret, and for weeks was the spicies at of post-praudial gossip, that the beau tiful and clever wife of one of the foreign consisters was of valuable assistance ber husband last winter in preventing leg islation concerning a matter vital to be country. She made no attempt to concea er interest, but on the day the matter wabefore Congress sat in the diplomatic gui ery an absorbed auditor of the proings. Everyssocial occasion was made as opportunity to speak a good word for her distressed country. She buttonholed legis lators whenever and wherever she could. The Chesterfield of the Senate delivered an eloquent speech against the measure she antagonized, which was directly trace able to her influence. She succeeded in her efforts beyond the utmost hopes of her husband, and proved herself his able and

There is still another woman who plays role on the political stage. She works for her own pleasure and glory, and reaps no pecuniary benefit. She flatters her-self she is a considerable influence; she believes in her own strength; she delignts in subtleties, and, in her own mind, is a De Stael or a Maintenon. She affects a saion; she is the Egeria of statesmen; she occupies a high moral ground; only measof noble purpose receive her support But this type is easily flattered, made to see virtues where none exist, and often becomes the unconscious tool of people more clever and less vain than herself.

These women are rarely in evide the Capitol. They are never seen in its lobbies; they do not visit the committee rooms; they are not to be found in the gal-leries. Their drawing-rooms serve as of fices: their hours are the fashionable ones Tea-tables answer for desks, but they are as exactly as influential, even more sucoessful, than the old-fashioned lobbyist, although their methods are different, more complex and various A Curious Coin.

One of the most puzzled men in town is a Montgomery street restaurant keeper who recently took in a \$20 gold piece which filled all the ordinary requirements of geneness so far as a superficial test could reveal the true facts. But a few days ago anker stepped into his place and saw the \$20 gold piece which the restaurant man had received only a short time before. The banker had a queer look in his eyes as he took the coin and rapped it sharply with his knife, and the restaurant keeper had a stranger expression as he saw his supposed \$20 piece break into two pieces. "How is this?" he demanded.

The banker answered. "It is the same old game. I had one of these pieces my self, and since that I have tested gold pieces of the \$20 denomination very carefull; If that had been genuine my test would not have broken it.

Then the restaurant keeper and the bank-er carefully examined it together. The outside of the gold piece was all right, seem ingly, when the dissevered parts were placed together. The milling seemed to be up to the standard. The weight was cor-

But the inside of the piece was half filled with a composition which was not the cur tomary gold and alloy. Still closer examina-tion revealed that the gold had been sawed through with exquisite care and skill just inside of the milling. Then the milling had been removed and from the interior of the piece some of the gold had been ex tracted and the baser composition was made to take the place of the more preciou metal. Then, with equal deftness and skill the milling had been replaced and soldered in some way, and the trick was done.-San Francisco Call.

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"Oh, she's nearly always in a hurry gets everything all ready for baking and finds at the last minute she hasn't any yeast, or she gets a pudding all mixed, and finds she hasn't any nutmeg or some thing; and then she's in an awful stew 'cause the oven is all ready, and maybe visitors are coming, and I can't run a very long distance, you know, and I feel awful sorry for poor mamma. Humph! Well, what can we do Sout

"I was thinking you might get me a bi cycle."-Boston Traveller.

The Japanese Are Particular. Business in the Japanese Parliament, a rather a frivolous character. A whole recent altting was devoted to considering whether a member had not violated parmentary etiquette by attending the ope ing m a frock coat instead of the regula tion dress suit. Finally, the offending number was selemnly warned of his "indiscretion," narrowly escaping being handed over to the disciplinary committee for punishment.—Westminster Gazette.

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